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# FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Monday, November 28, 2016 Issued: 0800 CT

**National Weather Service** 

Southern Region Headquarters Regional Operations Center Fort Worth, TX



<u>Day 1 Weather Hazards</u>: Enhanced Risk of severe storms w/ damaging winds/hail and possibly tornadoes over N LA & S AR later today.

Slight Risk of severe storms over E TX, most of LA, and AR. Areas of heavy rain possible over far E AR.

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### **Key Points**



#### **Today**

- Ongoing showers and storms this morning may produce gusty winds and hail
- Bigger severe weather threat is later today over N LA and S AR; Enhanced risk of severe storms including damaging winds, hail and a few tornadoes possible
- Moderate travel impacts possible over NW and N-Central NM due to snow

#### **Tuesday**

- Showers and storms will be moving out of SE LA in the morning, additional activity expected Tuesday night over SE TX into much of LA
  - Slight risk of severe storms Tuesday night over this area
  - Isolated heavy rain also possible for south and east LA late Tuesday

#### Wednesday - Thursday

No significant impacts expected

#### **Friday**

 Snow possible over NM into the TX/OK Panhandles; too early to determine potential amounts or impacts

#### **Tropical Outlook**

No new tropical cyclones are expected during the next 5 days

# Tropical Weather Outlook



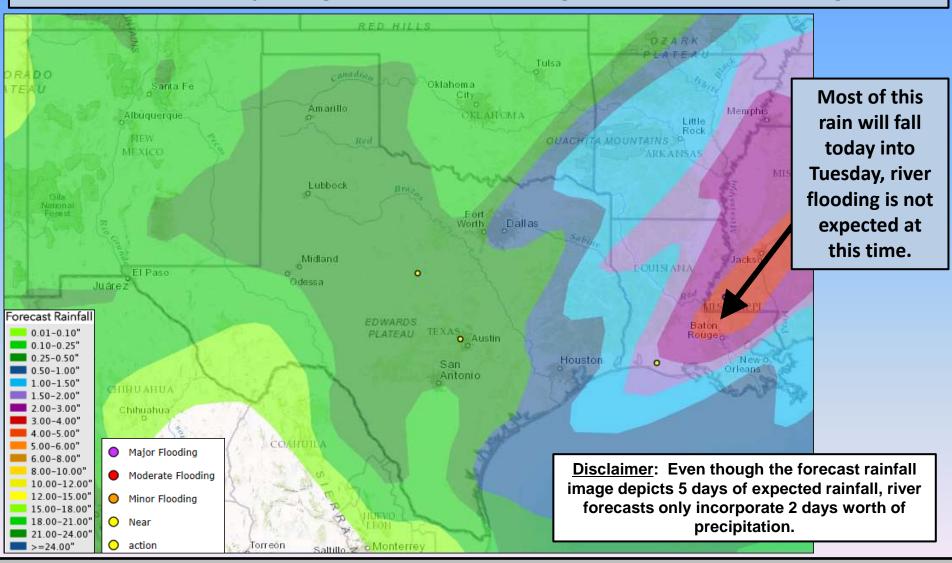
Tropical or Sub-Tropical Cyclone: ○ Depression ∮ Storm ∮ Hurricane ⊗ Post-Tropical Cyclone × Remnants No new tropical cyclones are expected during the next 5 days.



Chance of Cyclone Formation in Five Days: ☐ Low < 40% ☐ Medium 40-60% ☐ High > 60% X indicates current disturbance location; shading indicates potential formation area.

#### 5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

#### There is currently no significant river flooding observed across the Region.



For the latest on river flooding: <a href="http://water.weather.gov/ahps">http://water.weather.gov/ahps</a>

#### \*FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Nov 28, 2016 - Dec 2, 2016

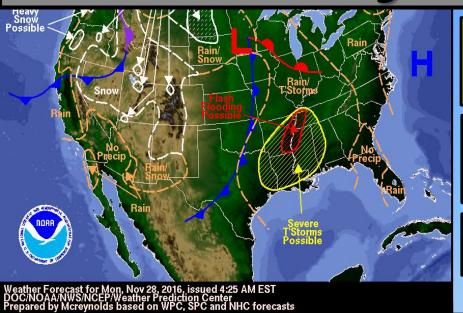
	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
Severe Weather	E TX, LA, AR	SE TX, LA			
	N LA, S AR				
Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding	Far E AR	S & E LA			
Winter Weather	NW & N-Central NM				NE NM, TX/OK Panhandles
Fire Weather					
River Flooding					

No Weather Threats Expected
Very Common – Happens Often
Common – Happens Frequently
Uncommon – A Few Times a Year
Rare – Once Every 1-5 Years
Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years

For more details on the colors in the threat matrix refer to the last slide in this briefing.



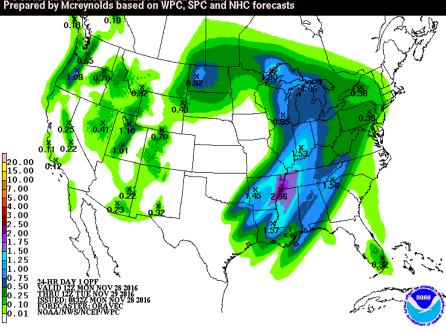
# Today's Weather



Ongoing showers and storms this morning may contain gusty winds and hail over eastern portions of the Region.

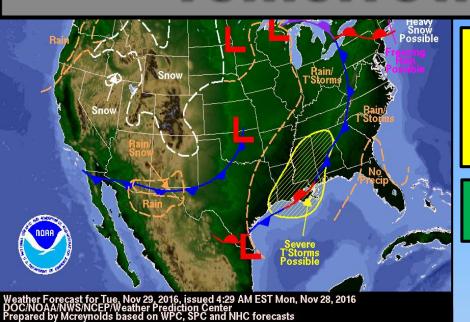
Bigger severe weather threat is later today over N LA and S AR; damaging winds, hail and a few tornadoes possible.

Moderate travel impacts possible over N-Central and NW NM tonight due to snow.



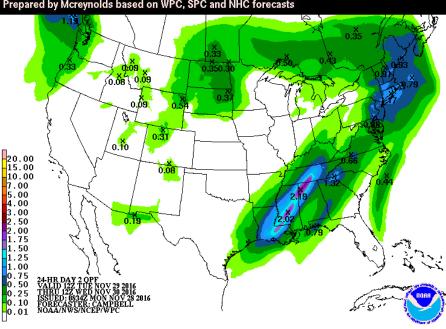


# Tomorrow's Weather



Showers and storms will be moving out of SE LA in the morning, but additional storms expected Tuesday night over much of LA and SE TX; Slight risk of severe storms Tuesday night.

Some areas of heavy rain also possible over S & E LA, mainly late Tuesday.

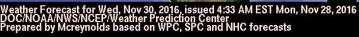


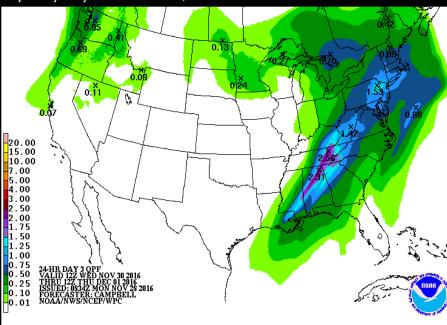


# Wednesday's Weather

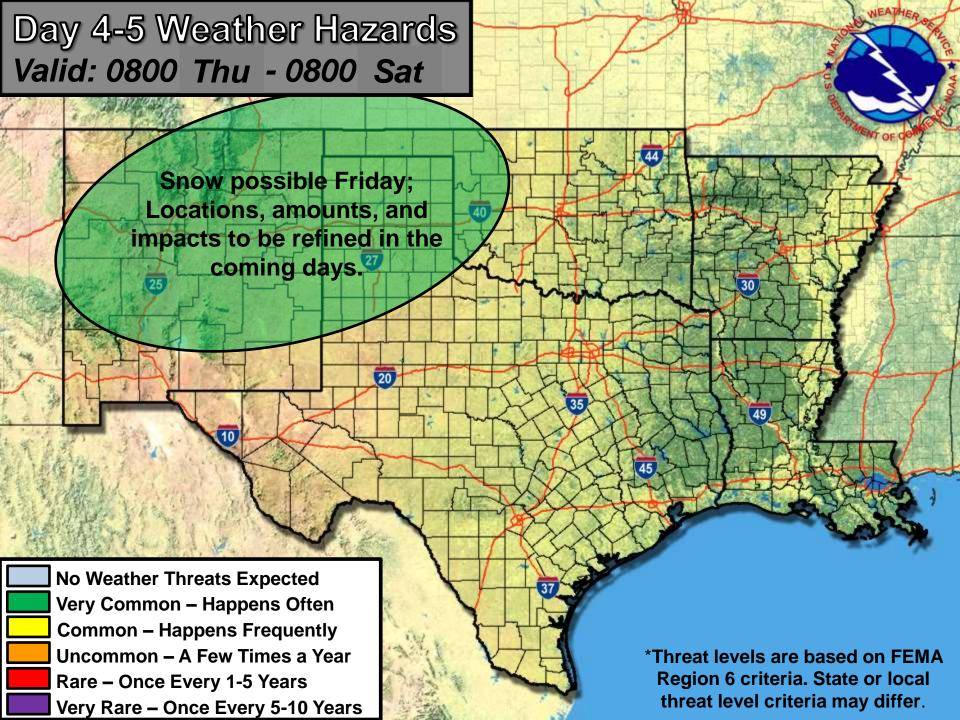


Showers and storms will be moving out of SE LA early Wednesday; no significant weather expected.





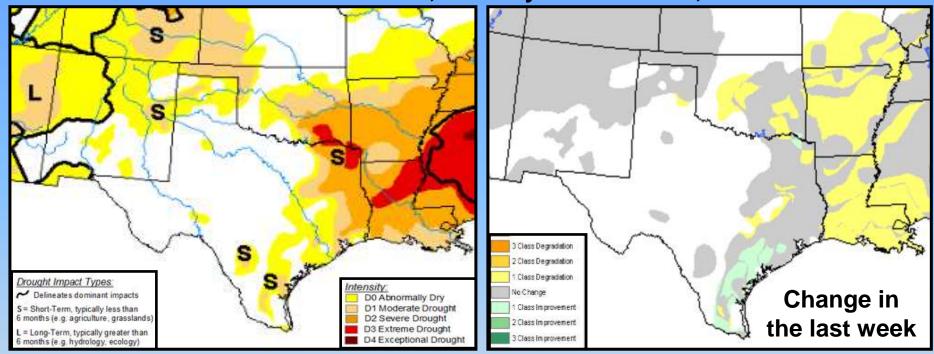






#### Drought Monitor Released November 24, 2016

#### Data valid as of 7am CDT, Tuesday November 22, 2016



Drought Conditions (Percent Area) in D3-D4 (Extreme to Exceptional Drought)					
State	Current	Last Week	3 Months Ago	1 Year Ago	
Oklahoma	3.48%	0.65%	0.00%	0.00%	
Texas	1.09%	0.63%	0.00%	0.00%	
Arkansas	1.64%	1.13%	0.00%	0.00%	
Louisiana	20.79%	4.59%	0.00%	0.00%	
New Mexico	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	

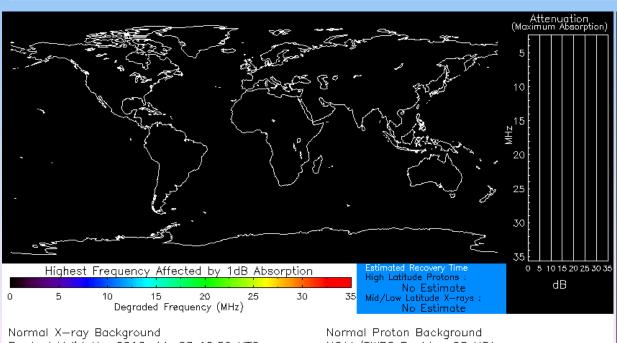
# Space Weather 3-Day Forecast



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Geomagnetic Storms	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)	Quiet (Max Kp = 2)
Solar Radiation Storm (S1-S5)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R1-R2)	1%	1%	1%
Radio Blackout (R3-R5)	1%	1%	1%

Click here for a **Description of the Space Weather Storm Scales** 

**Click here for the Latest 3-Day Space Weather Forecast Text** 



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# The criteria for the color codes in our briefings is below, please provide any feedback to sr-srh.roc@noaa.gov.

	Weather "Threat" Matrix					
Color	Definition	Criteria	Example(s)			
Green	Very Common Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines	Severe: Marginal Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over localized areas Tropical: None Fire Weather: No Watches/Warnings, fuel moisture above 10% or green up active	Thunderstorms expected over LA this afternoon; a few may produce winds to knock down a few trees  Something that happens almost every day in a particular season such as seabreeze storms in coastal TX			
Yellow	Somewhat Common — Happens Frequently Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life	Severe: Slight Risk from SPC Flooding: Nuisance flooded expected for a widespread area, or Minor flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A weak tropical wave expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire Weather: Red Flag Watches/Warnings and/or SPC outlines enhanced or critical fire outlook	2-3 inches of rainfall expected over central AR today and tonight; some minor (brief) street flooding possible     Scattered severe storms possible, one or two tornadoes expected, along with reports of strong winds/wind damage and ~1" hail			
Orange	Uncommon — A Few Times a Year Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some Damage Unavoidable Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: Enhanced Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations), or Moderate flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A Tropical Storm expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Critical fire outlook for more than 2 consecutive days, Warnings for 2 or more consecutive days, D3-D4 drought conditions	A snow/sleet mix is expected to move through or near the DFW area tomorrow morning; travel impacts likely     Numerous severe storms possible, a few tornadoes possible along with several reports of wind damage along with damaging hail     Some large fires reported, burn bans advertised, critical conditions expected			
Red	Rare – Once every 1-5 Years Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: Moderate Risk from SPC Flooding: Moderate flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Hurricane expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large areas of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Severe to extreme drought	A Category 1 hurricane will be moving towards the NW Gulf in the next few days     Widespread severe storms likely, strong tornadoes, widespread wind damage, and destructive hail     Large fires ongoing throughout the area with critical fire weather conditions expected to continue			
Purple	Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years Safety: Property Damage Unavoidable, Immediate Action to Save Life will be Needed Impact Potential: Typically Results in Long-Lived Widespread Major Disruption to Daily Life	Severe: High Risk from SPC Flooding: Major flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Major Hurricane (Cat3 or greater) expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large area of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Long term (months) of severe to extreme drought	A Category 4 hurricane is headed towards the SE LA; major storm surge, flooding and damaging winds anticipated to begin tomorrow     Widespread severe storms expected, tornado outbreak probable with long-lived, very widespread and particularly intense storms			